

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF THE BILL (H.R. 6599) MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS, AND RELATED AGENCIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2009, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

JULY 29, 2008.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

Ms. CASTOR, from the Committee on Rules,
submitted the following

R E P O R T

[To accompany H. Res. 1384]

The Committee on Rules, having had under consideration House Resolution 1384, by a nonrecord vote, report the same to the House with the recommendation that the resolution be adopted.

SUMMARY OF PROVISIONS OF THE RESOLUTION

The resolution provides for consideration of the bill (H.R. 6599), the Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act, 2009, under an open rule with a preprinting requirement. The resolution provides for one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations.

The resolution waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except clause 9 or 10 of rule XXI. The resolution waives points of order against provisions of the bill for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI. The rule provides that no amendment to the bill shall be in order except those printed in the portion of the Congressional Record designated for that purpose in clause 8 of rule XVIII by July 30 and except pro forma amendments for the purpose of debate. Each amendment so printed may be offered only by the Member who caused it to be printed or a designee and shall be considered as read. The resolution provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Finally, the resolution permits the Chair, during consideration of the bill in the House, to postpone further consideration of the bill to a time designated by the Speaker.

EXPLANATION OF WAIVERS

The waiver of all points of order against consideration of the bill (except clauses 9 and 10 of rule XXI) is prophylactic as the Com-

mittee is not aware of any such points of order. The waiver of clause 2 of rule XXI (prohibiting unauthorized appropriations or legislative provisions in an appropriations bill) against provisions in the bill is included because the bill contains unauthorized appropriations and legislative provisions.

COMMITTEE VOTES

The results of each record vote on an amendment or motion to report, together with the names of those voting for and against, are printed below:

Rules Committee record vote No. 580

Date: July 29, 2008.

Measure: H.R. 6599.

Motion by: Mr. Dreier.

Summary of motion: To provide an open rule.

Results: Defeated 2–6.

Vote by Members: McGovern—Nay; Matsui—Nay; Welch—Nay; Castor—Nay; Arcuri—Nay; Dreier—Yea; Hastings (WA)—Yea; Slaughter—Nay.